

FISCAL NOTE

HB 3108 - SB 3209

March 9, 1998

SUMMARY OF BILL: Adds the second grade back in to the state-mandated TCAP tests. Present law requires that no state-mandated test shall be conducted earlier than grade three, except that when the diagnostic method for evaluating reading and other basic skills in the first and second grades is available, these tests shall be conducted.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase State Expenditures - Exceeds \$250,000

Estimate assumes:

- Development of a new test with new questions.
- Costs for materials and for scoring the test are included in the expenditures.
- The savings expected last year from elimination of the mandatory second grade test (Public Chapter 434).

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.



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